

significant amount of Medicaid or charity care to beneficiaries, and tertiary and subspecialty services.

(c) *To the extent the system operates under a certificate of authority issued under the Texas Health Maintenance Organization Act (Chapter 20A, Vernon's Texas Insurance Code), the [(d) The] system shall be reimbursed by the Medicaid contracting agency at the state-defined capitation rate for each service area in which the system operates.*

(d) [(e)] It is not a condition of participation for the system to accept from the Medicaid contracting agency a capitation rate which is lower than the state-defined capitation rate for each service area in which the system operates.

(e) [(f)] The state retains the right to cancel a contract awarded under this article if the system is sold or dissolved.

SECTION 8. (a) This Act takes effect September 1, 1999.

(b) The term of a member of the board of directors of the statewide rural health care system appointed before the effective date of this Act expires December 1 of the year before the year the term was to expire under Chapter 20C, Insurance Code, as that chapter existed before amendment by this Act.

SECTION 9. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 28, 1999, by a non-record vote; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1194 on May 22, 1999, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 20, 1999, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved June 18, 1999.

Effective September 1, 1999.

CHAPTER 758

H.B. No. 1196

AN ACT

relating to recognizing Texas Parents Day.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.046 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.046. TEXAS PARENTS DAY. The second Sunday in August of each year is Texas Parents Day to celebrate the Texas family and to emphasize the importance of parents taking an active role in the raising and future of their children.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 16, 1999: Yeas 136, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1196 on May 17, 1999, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 13, 1999: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 18, 1999.

Effective August 30, 1999, 90 days after date of adjournment.